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The Honorable David L. Hobson  
United States House of Representatives  
2346 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515-3507

Dear Chairman Hobson:

I am writing to respectfully request your support for following projects in the FY2006 Energy and Water Development Appropriations bill.

1. **The Alliance for NanoHealth** in Houston, Texas: \$2 million split between a Collaborative Research Center with a 5,000 sq ft clean room environment at the UTRP and shared equipment (such as flow cytometers (particle sorters), electron microscopes, high resolution MRI CT) and funding for equipment and training at the Center for Advanced Biomedical Imaging (joint center among MDACC, UTHSCH and GE) and the Kleberg Center for Molecular Markers. *The Alliance for NanoHealth is my highest priority appropriations request.*
2. **CureSearch**: \$1 million would go towards supporting Children's Oncology Group's research on the biology of cancer cells in children and treatments.
3. **Brays Bayou**: \$24.3 million to continue critical detention excavation and channel construction along Brays Bayou in an expedited manner.
4. **White Oak Bayou**: \$100,000 to continue the feasibility study for flood mitigation of White Oak Bayou.
5. **Harris Gully**: \$100,000 to continue the feasibility study for flood mitigation of Harris Gully and the Texas Medical Center.
6. **Buffalo Bayou**: \$100,000 to continue a general reevaluation study to obtain Corps endorsement of a recommended project for flood control along the Buffalo Bayou.

Thank you in advance for your consideration of my requests.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John Culberson".

John Culberson  
Member of Congress

A handwritten note in black ink that says "Thank you Mr. Chairman!" with a small exclamation mark at the end.